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Transportation Update

December 2005

CMA Considers Draft Project List for the Transportation for Livable Communities Program

At its December meeting, the CMA considered a draft program of projects for the Transportation for Livable Communities program. TLC projects will use federal funds. The CMA's guidelines restrict these funds to projects at the eight transit oriented development projects listed in its long-range transportation plan. The CMA received applications totaling over \$16 million. Approximately \$7 million is available in this round of funding. The following projects are recommended for funding:

- Oakland Coliseum BART streetscape improvements and environmental and design for a pedestrian walkway
- West Oakland BART streetscape project
- MacArthur BART infrastructure improvements
- Ashby BART (Ed Roberts Campus) bicycle and pedestrian improvements
- Union City BART pedestrian and bicycle enhancements

The final program will be adopted by the Plans and Programs Committee on January 9th and will then be submitted to MTC.

I-580 Tri Valley Corridor Update

In December, the CMA agreed to a memorandum of understanding with Dublin, Livermore, Pleasanton, Alameda County, Livermore-Amador Valley Transit Authority and Caltrans for a Transportation Management Plan that is intended to mitigate the impacts associated with the construction of the I-580 eastbound carpool lane. This MOU will cover the

Intelligent Transportation System components, such as monitors that will provide information to the public on congestion and construction activities. Other TMP elements will be implemented during the construction phase of the project. Construction of the ITS TMP components will begin in summer 2006 in advance of the carpool lane project.

Int'I/Telegraph Rapid Bus Update

At the request of AC Transit, the CMA has agreed to construct several enhancements to Int'l/Telegraph rapid bus project. This added work includes bus stop modifications at several locations, a major transit center in Oakland, cameras to dispatch buses, and signal modifications.

I-680 Smart Carpool Lane Authority Takes Shape

The CMA's approval of the joint powers agreement for the I-680 Smart Carpool Lane in December brings the governing authority one step closer to reality. ACTIA has already approved the JPA; the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority is expected to approve the JPA in early January. The Joint Powers Board is expected to have its first meeting on January 9th at the CMA offices.

Detailed Study of Connections between I-680 and I-880 to Begin

Using Measure B funds, the CMA will prepare detailed studies of improvements in the Fremont-Grimmer Blvd area. A previous study resulted in a set of suggested improvements to enhance the connections between I-680 and I-880. This new work will build on the previous study and be completed by spring 2007.

CMA to Design Soundwalls Along I-580 in Oakland and San Leandro

In order to expedite the completion of specific sound walls in the I-580 corridor, the CMA will complete the design started by Caltrans. In partnership with Caltrans, the CMA has identified projects on the highway system, such as the two soundwalls, that can be expedited by CMA involvement.

Caldecott Draft Environmental Document Available Soon

At the December CMA meeting, Caltrans briefed the Board on the status of the Caldecott Tunnel 4th Bore project. The draft environmental document should be released for public comment in January.

Board Schedules Retreat

The CMA has scheduled its annual retreat for February 10, 2006 in Livermore. The retreat will focus on advocacy in Washington, DC and state transportation funding proposals, such as Senator Perata's infrastructure bond and the Governor's proposals.

CMA Adopts 2006 Legislative Program

The CMA has adopted its 2006 federal and state legislative program. The program focuses on transportation funding.

Deadlines to Note

<u>2006 State Transportation Improvement</u> <u>Program (STIP)</u>

MTC Adopts Regional Program January 2006 CTC Adopts 2006 STIP April 2006

Transportation for Livable Communities
Program: County Share (\$7 million)
Final Program
January 9, 2006
Local Streets & Roads Rehab: Cycle 3
Federal STP (approx. \$9.1 million)
Draft Program
January 26, 2006

Final Program February 23, 2006

Lifeline Transportation Program (approx. \$5

<u>million)</u>

Call for Projects March 2006
Deadline for Project Submittals April 2006
Draft Program May 2006
Final Program June 2006

Combined Measure B Bicycle-Pedestrian
Program, Regional Bicycle-Pedestrian
Program and TFCA Eligible Projects
Call for Projects
Deadline for Project Submittals Summer 2006

Upcoming Meetings

January 3 CMA Technical Advisory
Committee

9 CMA Administration & Legislation Committee

9 CMA Plans & Programs Committee

9 I-680 Smart Carpool Lane Policy Advisory Committee

20 Tri Valley Triangle Analysis Policy Advisory Committee

26 CMA Board Meeting

February 1/2 CTC (Sacramento)

7 CMA Technical Advisory Committee

10 CMA Board Retreat (Livermore)

13 CMA Administration & Legislation Committee

13 CMA Plans & Programs Committee

23 CMA Board Meeting

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